



Kentucky Board of Nursing Annual Report 2007-2008

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

*Education, Governance
& Consumer Protection Committees*

Sep. 20, 2007

Nov. 8, 2007

Jan. 17, 2008

Mar. 13, 2008

May 15, 2008

Practice Committee

Sep. 21, 2007

Nov. 9, 2007

Jan. 18, 2008

Mar. 14, 2008

May 16, 2008

BOARD MEETINGS

August 29-31, 2007
Annual Retreat

October 25-26, 2007
Regular Meeting

February 14-15, 2008
Regular Meeting

April 24-25, 2008
Regular Meeting

June 12-13, 2008
Annual Meeting

BOARD OFFICERS

ELECTED APRIL 2008

President: Jimmy T. Isenberg

Vice-President: Sally Baxter

Secretary: Carol Komara

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IMMEDIATE PAST

Jimmy T. Isenberg

Sally Baxter

Gail I. Wise

Susan H. Davis

PAST

Susan H. Davis

Peggy Fishburn

Catherine Hogan

Jan Ridder

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING

MISSION

The Kentucky Board of Nursing protects public health and welfare by development and enforcement of state laws governing the safe practice of nursing.

CORE VALUES

In order to protect the public, we are committed to:

EXCELLENCE

Excellence and quality by delivering consistent, effective, and efficient services.

INTEGRITY

Honesty, fairness, and objectivity in the development and enforcement of laws and regulations.

RESPONSIVENESS

Taking initiative, communicating openly, and demonstrating care and concern in all endeavors.

COLLABORATION

Working in a cooperative spirit while maintaining respect for all individuals.

VISION

We aspire to:

DELIVER

benchmark-quality services in healthcare regulation.

MEET

the challenges of a dynamic and ever-changing healthcare environment.

HAVE

an organizational environment that fosters creativity, innovation, and outstanding leadership.

HAVE

a committed and appropriately compensated Board/staff who have exceptional knowledge and skills.

ACHIEVE

integration of regulatory efforts affecting the health of the public.

HAVE

state-of-the-art technology that promotes effectiveness and efficiency.

GOAL 1

Sound defensible, regulatory practices that protect the public through a Just Culture model.

- Create opportunities for interagency policy development and collaboration.
- Continue enhancements for the disciplinary action processes.
- Continue enhancements for the alternative to disciplinary action processes.
- Increase public awareness and understanding of the role and purpose of the Board of Nursing.
- Increase the public's participation in regulatory decision making.
- Continue to plan and evaluate the nursing education requirements, practice issues, and competency determination.
- Regulate nurses and persons who provide nursing related acts.

GOAL 2

Efficient delivery of services that meet the needs of consumers and regulated entities.

- Maintain an organizational structure that promotes effective utilization of agency resources.
- Enhance communications and positive image of KBN.

- Continue to implement workflow redesign for selected agency services.
- Monitor mutual recognition initiatives.
- Continue electronic enhancements to licensure and credentialing processes.

GOAL 3

Optimal use of technology that supports agency services.

- Plan for implementation of the agency Information Resources Plan.
- Improve utilization of communications technology.
- Explore new technologies to enhance agency and board functions.

GOAL 4

An organizational culture that promotes job satisfaction and career development.

- Increase staff involvement in agency planning and policy implementation.
- Enhance orientation and development programs for the members of the Board, committees, and councils.
- Enhance means to increase service recognition of volunteers, Board and staff members.
- Monitor and maintain appropriate compensation for employees and Board members.
- Increase understanding of job functions throughout the agency.

BOARD OF NURSING COMPOSITION, STRUCTURE & OPERATIONS

BOARD ACTIVITIES

All meetings of the Board and its committees and councils were held in open session as required by the Kentucky open meetings law. The commitment of the members of KBN and the dedication of its staff continued in unabated fashion. Appreciation for this service by KBN staff and members was expressed through the recognition programs of the agency and executive branch of state government.

Retiring Board members for FY 2006-07 included Ann Fultz, LPN; Catherine Hogan, RN; and Jan Ridder, RN. Newly appointed Board members were Gerald L. Dirk, LPN; Jann B. Gilliam, Citizen-at-Large; and Cheryl Hickman, RN.

COMMITTEES, COUNCILS, GROUPS, PANELS

CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMITTEE*

The Consumer Protection Committee considers those matters related to investigation and disciplinary processes and preparation of hearing panel members.

Chair: Carol Komara, RN	Melda Sue Logan, C-a-L
Sally Baxter, RN	Gerald Dirk, LPN
Jann Gilliam, C-a-L	Staff Coord: Sandra Johanson, RN

EDUCATION COMMITTEE*

The Education Committee considers those matters related to mandatory continuing education and prelicensure nursing education in the Commonwealth.

Chair: Gail Wise, RN	Deborah Phillips, LPN
Jimmy Isenberg, RN	Anne H. Veno, RN
Carol Komara, RN	Staff Coord: Patty Spurr, RN

PRACTICE COMMITTEE*

The Practice Committee considers those matters related to the interpretation of the legal scope of nursing practice as defined in Kentucky Nursing Laws and KBN administrative regulations. Committee deliberations may include review of other relevant statutes and regulations as necessary.

Chair: Susan Davis, RN	Peggy Fishburn, LPN
Sally Baxter, RN	Cheryl Hickman, RN
Patricia Birchfield, ARNP	Elizabeth Partin, RN
Christe Coe, RN	Staff Coord: Sharon Mercer, RN

CREDENTIALS REVIEW PANEL

The Credentials Review Panel considers those matters related to licensure and registration credentials and disciplinary investigation and action not otherwise covered by applicable laws and/or guidelines set by KBN.

Chair: Peggy Fishburn, LPN	RN Gail I. Wise, RN
Sue Davis, RN	Staff Coord: Sandra Johanson, RN
Cheryl Hickman, RN	

GOVERNANCE PANEL

The Governance Panel is responsible for reviewing Board guidelines, structure, operations, and Board member development. It submits recommendations to KBN on these and related matters.

Chair: Sally Baxter, RN	Jann Gilliam, C-a-L
Christe Coe, RN	Elizabeth Partin, ARNP
Anne H. Veno, RN	Staff Coord: Nathan Goldman, JD

KBN CONNECTION EDITORIAL PANEL

The KBN Connection Editorial Panel considers those matters related to planning for the preparation and publication of the official KBN magazine, published 4 times in FY 07-08.

Chair: Deborah Phillips, LPN
Sally Baxter, RN

Melda Sue Logan, C-a-L
Staff Coord: Sue Derouen, RN

ADVANCED REGISTERED NURSE PRACTICE COUNCIL

Related organizations nominate representatives for membership on the ARNP Council, as an advisory body to KBN. The council advises and recommends practice standards regarding the performance of acts relative to nurse anesthesia, nurse-midwifery, nurse practitioner, and clinical nurse specialist practice.

Chair: Patricia Birchfield, ARNP	Patricia Thornbury, RPh, KBPh
Jill Crawford, ARNP-P, KNA	Russell L. Travis, KBML
Kim Evans, ARNP-C, KNA	D. Sheila Ward, ARNP-M, KCNP/NM
Elizabeth Partin, ARNP-P, KCNP/NM	Shala Wilson, ARNP-P, KNA
David Schwytzer, ARNP-A	Staff Coord: Sharon Mercer, RN

DIALYSIS TECHNICIAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Dialysis Technician Advisory Council advises KBN regarding qualifications, standards for training, competency determination of dialysis technicians, and all other matters related to dialysis technicians.

Chair: Sally Baxter, RN	Charles Stewart, DT
Wendy Martin, DT	R. Lynne Patterson, RN
Leitha Olson, RN	Kathy Roberts, RN
Evelyn Stokes, DT	Staff Coord: Sharon Mercer, RN

ALTERNATIVE TO DISCIPLINE FOR PRACTICE AD HOC GROUP

The Alternative to Discipline for Practice Ad Hoc Group was formed to explore the possibility of implementing the provision in KRS 314.171 concerning including in the KARE for Nurses Program practice deficits. The group disbanded in 2007.

Chair: Ann Veno, RN	Deborah Phillips, LPN
Marcia Hobbs, RN	Jan Ridder, RN
Catherine Hogan, RN	

UAP MEDICATIONS COMMITTEE

Chair: Jimmy Isenberg, RN

KBN/SYSTEMS COMMITTEE

Chair: Jan Ridder, RN Sally Baxter, RN

NISF GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEE

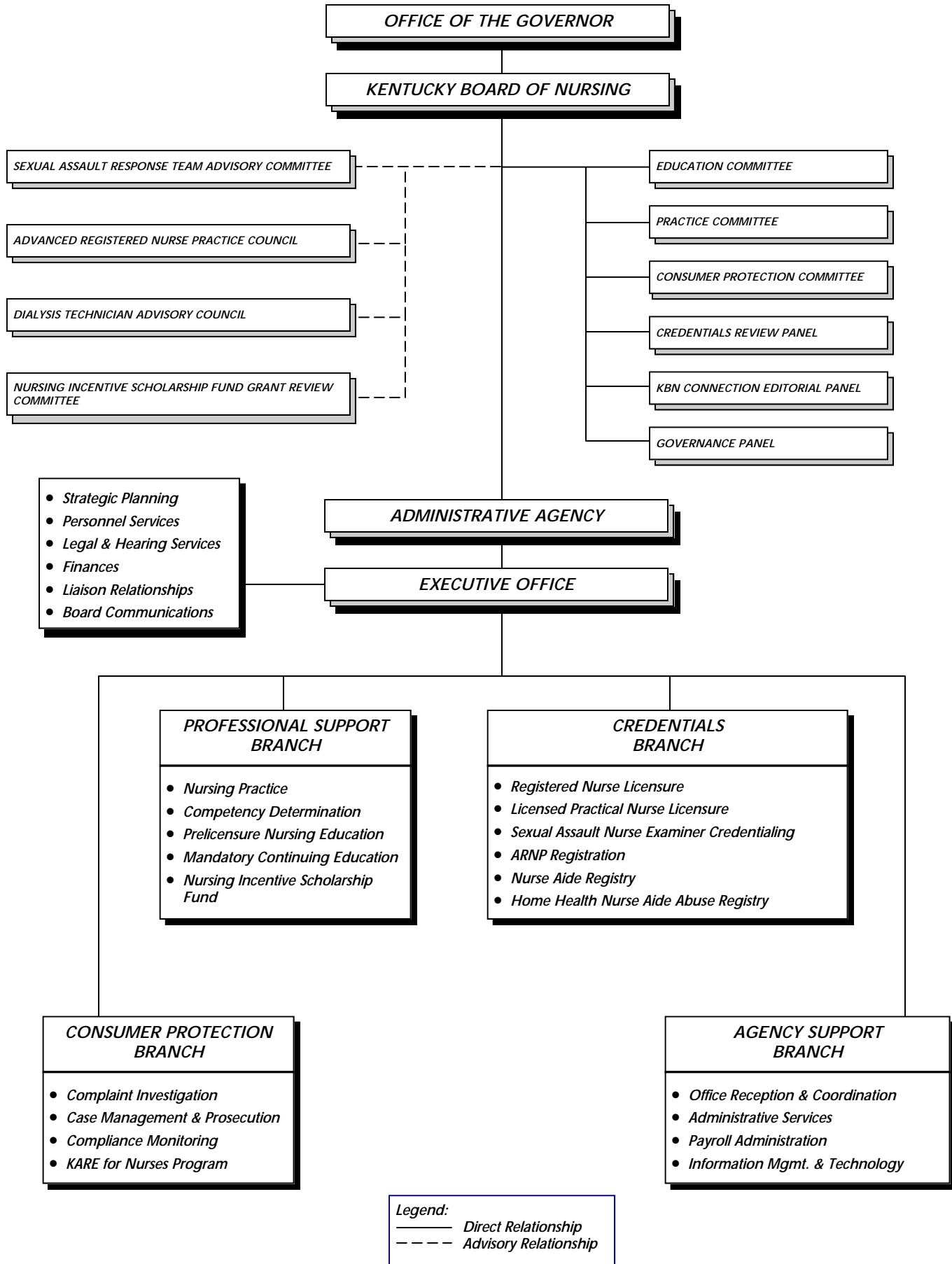
Chair: Jimmy Isenberg, RN

NCSBN DELEGATES

Susan Davis, RN	Peggy Fishburn, LPN, Alternate Delegate
Charlotte Beason, RN	Jimmy Isenberg, RN, Alternate Delegate

* KBN President and Executive Director are Ex-Officio Members

REGULATION OF NURSES AND NURSING EDUCATION AND PRACTICE



HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD ACTIVITIES

- *Approved the proposed amendments to 201 KAR 20:470 Dialysis Technician Credentialing Requirements and Training Program Standards.*
- *Approved the proposed amendments to 201 KAR 20:056, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner registration, program requirements recognition of a national certifying organization.*
- *Approved the proposed amendments to 201 KAR 20:057, Scope and Standards of Practice of Advanced Registered nurse Practitioners.*
- *Approved the proposed amendments to 201 KAR 20:220, Nursing continuing education provider approval.*
- *Approved the Advisory Opinion Statement #35, "Cosmetic and Dermatological procedures by Nurses".*
- *Approved and Advisory Opinion Statement #36, "Role of Nurses in Resuscitation".*
- *Approved the revisions to Advisory Opinion Statement #11, "Role of Nurses in the Insertion and Removal of Nasogastric Tube and the Reinsertion of a Gastrostomy Tube."*
- *Approved the revisions to Advisory Opinion Statement #18, "Employment of Nursing Students as Nursing Personnel Using Either an Academic or a "Nurse Extern" Service Model".*
- *Approved the revisions to Advisory Opinion Statement #3, "Role of Nurses in Intravenous Therapy Practice".*

Issued nine (9) nursing practice advisory opinions addressing:

- *Role of ARNP in the performance of infant circumcisions;*
 - *Administration of insulin by nurses in school setting via parent communication;*
 - *Delegation of disconnection and reconnection of oxygen to unlicensed assistive personnel;*
 - *Scope of registered nursing practice – instillation of methotrexate into an Ommaya Reservoir;*
 - *Regional nerve block;*
 - *Scope of licensed practical nursing practice in the performance of urgent PC neuromodulation;*
 - *Performance and collection of endocervical swab specimens for the assessment of sexually transmitted diseases;*
 - *Performance of ear stapling for the treatment of obesity;*
 - *Performance of the Department of Transportation (DOT) commercial motor vehicle driver physical examination and completion of the medical examiner's certificate.*
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- *Nurse Incentive Scholarship Fund directed the funding of 30 continuation applicants (\$81,000), 15 new applicants through the 80 – point range (\$45,000) and a selected cohort of 50 applicants in the 75 – point range (\$147,000) for a total of 65 new applicants. Total funding of scholarships in 2007-08 was \$273,500.*
 - *Approved the location for the proposed program of Western Kentucky University, Baccalaureate Program in Glasgow.*
 - *Approved the curriculum change proposed by Jefferson Community & Technical College to the Practical Nursing program at the Carrollton location.*
 - *Directed the proposed Associate Degree Nursing Program at Maysville Community & Technical College, Cynthiana, be granted Developmental approval status for the first group of students to begin classes no earlier than August 2008.*
 - *Directed the Proposed Associate Degree Nursing Program at National College, Pikeville, be granted Developmental approval status for the first group of students to begin classes no earlier than August 2008.*
 - *Directed that Bowling Green Technical College-Glasgow's proposed Practical Nursing Program Extension in Bowling Green be granted Developmental approval status for the first group of students to begin classes no earlier than Fall 2008.*
 - *Directed that the location for the proposed Practical Nursing Program Extension of Bowling Green Technical College-Glasgow in Bowling Green be accepted.*
 - *Directed that Maysville Community & Technical College's proposed Practical Nursing Program extension in Mt. Sterling be granted Developmental approval status subject to a review of the proposed site.*

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HIGHLIGHTS OF BOARD ACTIVITIES (CONT.)

- Directed that pursuant to 201 KAR 20:360, Section 1, subsection 4, the following programs of nursing with a pass rate of less than 85 percent for one year be issued a letter of concern: **BSN Programs**--Berea College, Berea; Kentucky Christian University, Grayson; Spalding University, Louisville; and Thomas More College, Crestview Hills; **ADN Programs**--Beckfield College, Florence; Big Sandy Community & Technical College, Prestonsburg; Galen College of Nursing, Louisville; Jefferson Community & Technical College, Louisville; Lincoln Memorial University-Corbin, Corbin; Midway College, Midway; Midway College, Danville; Morehead State University, Morehead; Pikeville College, Pikeville; SE Kentucky Community & Technical College, Middlesboro; St. Catharine College, St. Catharine; **PN Program**--Jefferson Community & Technical College, Carrollton.
- Directed that pursuant to 201 KAR 20:360, Section 1, subsection 5, the following programs of nursing with a pass rate of less than 85 percent for two (2) consecutive years be issued a letter of warning: **BSN Program**--Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights; **ADN Programs**--Ashland Community & Technical College, Ashland; Gateway Community & Technical College, Edgewood; Hazard Community & Technical College, Hazard; Hazard Community & Technical College, Leestown; Kentucky State University, Frankfort; and SE Kentucky Community & Technical College, Cumberland.
- Directed that the following nursing programs be moved from Development approval to Initial approval: **ADN Program**--Morehead State University, Mt. Sterling; and **PN Program**--Somerset Community & Technical College, Albany.
- Directed that the following nursing program be moved from Conditional approval to Full approval: **ADN Program**--Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green.
- Directed that the approval status of the Associate Degree Nursing Program of Spencerian College, Louisville, remain Conditional.
- Approved that the status of the Practical Nursing Program of Henderson Community College, Henderson be changed from Initial to Full.
- Directed that 201 KAR 20:070, Licensure by examination, be amended to allow concurrent completion of NCLEX and clinical internship requirements.
- Directed that the approval status of the Associate Degree Nursing Program of Spencerian College, Louisville, remain Conditional pending the 2008 NCLEX results.
- Approved that the proposed Practical Nursing Program at Beckfield College, Florence, be granted Developmental approval status, with admission of a first class no earlier than January 2009.
- Approved that the proposed Practical Nursing Program at Brown Mackie College, Louisville be granted Developmental approval status for an admission class no earlier than January 2009.
- Approved the addition of a weekend/evening track to the Practical Nursing Program at Somerset Community College, Somerset.

KENTUCKY ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

Kentucky Administrative Regulations are enacted to operationalize statutory language and carry force and effect of law. Administrative regulations were revised during FY 07-08 as indicated by the effective date.

201 Kentucky Administrative Regulation 20:

Effective/Revision Date:

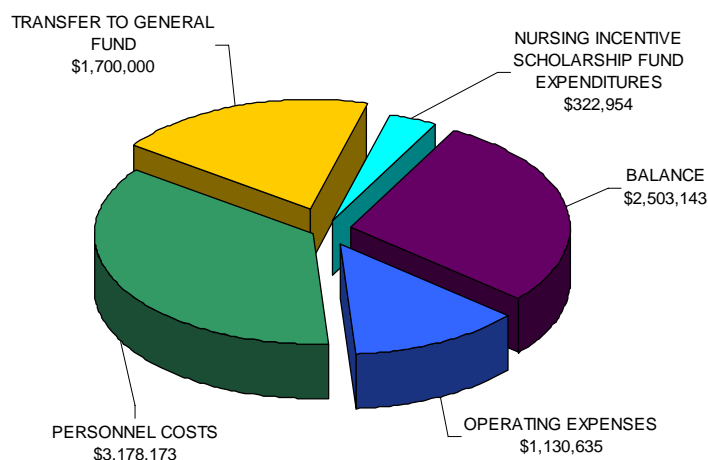
.056	Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner Registration	05/08
.057	Scope & Standards of Practice of ARNPs	05/08
.059	Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner Controlled Substances Prescriptions	03/07
.070	Licensure by Examination	09/08
.085	Licensure Periods	01/05
.095	Inactive Nurse Licensure Status	10/05
.110	Licensure by Endorsement	06/08
.161	Investigation & Disposition of Complaints	06/08
.162	Procedures for Disciplinary Hearings Pursuant to KRS 314.091	10/01
.163	Standards for Approved Evaluators	05/07
.200	Definitions for Mandatory Continuing Education	07/92
.215	Continuing Competency Requirements	09/06
.220	Provider Approval	03/08
.225	Reinstatement of Licensure	06/08
.230	Renewal of Licenses	10/05
.235	The Prevention of Transmission of HIV & HBV by Nurses	09/93
.240	Fees for Applications & for Services	03/07
.260	Organization & Administration Standards for Prelicensure Programs of Nursing	11/00
.270	Programs of Nursing Surveys	11/87
.280	Standards for Prelicensure RN & PN Programs	10/07
.290	Standards for Prelicensure RN & PN Extension Programs	11/87
.310	Faculty for Prelicensure RN & PN Programs	10/07
.320	Standards for Curriculum of Prelicensure RN Programs	10/07
.340	Students in Prelicensure RN & PN Programs	10/07
.350	Education Facilities & Resources for Prelicensure RN & PN Programs	10/07
.360	Evaluation of Prelicensure RN & PN Programs	11/87
.370	Applications for Licensure & Registration	08/07
.380	Standards for Refresher Course Approval	11/87
.390	Nursing Incentive Scholarship Fund	05/07
.400	Delegation of Nursing Tasks to Unlicensed Persons	08/03
.410	Expungement of Records	10/08
.411	Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program Standards & Credential Requirements	08/07
.420	Determination of Death by a RN Employed by an Ambulance Service	08/99
.430	Discontinuance of Resuscitation by a RN Employed by an Ambulance Service	08/99
.440	Training of RNs Employed by an Ambulance Service in Determination of Death and Discontinuance of Resuscitation	08/99
.450	Alternative Program	10/07
.460	Declaratory Rulings	06/01
.470	Dialysis Technician Credentialing Requirements and Training Program Standards	02/08
.480	Licensure of Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools	10/05
.490	Licensed Practical Nurse Intravenous Therapy Scope of Practice	09/06
.500	Nurse Licensure Compact	11/06

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

The Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN) is a fee-supported agency. No general revenue tax dollars are expended by the agency. The revenue balance for FY 07-08 was \$8,511,951 with expenditures totaling \$4,308,808. Funds from the balance are carried forward each year to meet the upcoming fiscal year budget needs. Revenue for FY 07-08 included income from the annual renewal of RN and LPN licenses. In 2006-2007, KBN moved from a biennial to an annual renewal period for licensees in an effort to maintain a more consistent and even generation of revenue. The ratio of 3.5:1, RN to LPN results in a disproportional yearly revenue generation in a biennial renewal period. The 2008 budget enacted by the General Assembly mandated a transfer of \$1,700,000 of KBN funds to the Commonwealth General Fund.

Various KBN publications and informational material were offered for a nominal fee that covered duplicating costs. Some of the publications available for purchase were the KBN History, Kentucky Nursing Laws, and KBN administrative regulations. Many brochures were available at no charge, including Continuing Education, SANE Program, KARE for Nurses Program, Disciplinary Process and Procedures for Nursing Licensure, Assuring Safe Nursing Care in Kentucky, Criminal Convictions, and Nursing Workforce Competency Development Grants. Four editions of the agency newsletter, the KBN Connection, were published. The KBN website continued to offer a multitude of information and services.

FINANCIAL REPORT FY 07-08



Total Revenue Balance = \$8,511,951
Total Expenditures = \$4,308,808
Transfer to General Fund = \$1,700,000
Balance = \$2,503,143

FEES FOR LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS AND SERVICES

APPLICATION FEES

RN/LPN

Endorsement	\$150
Examination	\$120
Reinstatement.....	\$120
Renewal*	\$50
Retired Licensure Status.....	\$25
Dialysis Technician (DT):	
Initial Credential.....	\$70
Credential Renewal.....	\$70
Filed After Deadline.....	\$25 (Additional)
Credential Reinstatement.....	\$70
Duplicate Renewal Fee	\$25
Initial Training Program Approval	\$950
Continued Training Program Approval	\$800
Filed After Deadline.....	\$150 (Additional)
Reinstatement Training Program Approval.....	\$950
Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP):	
Registration	\$150
Reinstatement	\$120
Renewal	\$40 (Per Designation)
Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE):	
Credential.....	\$120
Reinstatement	\$120
Renewal	\$35
Continuing Education:	
Initial Provider or Program Approval.....	\$400
Reinstatement of Provider Approval.....	\$400
Renewal of Provider Approval	\$200
Offering Approval Via Staff Review	\$10
Application to Establish a Prelicensure PON	\$2,000

SERVICES

Data Roster Download (Online):

More than 20,000 Individuals	\$480**
5,000-20,000 Individuals	\$360**
Less than 5,000 Individuals.....	\$120**
** Plus 4-5% Processing Fee	

Publications:

Kentucky Nursing Laws.....	\$2
Scope of Practice Determination Guidelines	\$0.60 (per copy)
Summary Report of KBN Advisory Opinions on Nursing Practice Issues.....	\$1.20 (per copy)
KBN History	\$8.50 (per copy)

Validations:

Online Licensure **	
Basic.....	No Charge
Enhanced.....	\$0.10 per license validated + \$225 annual fee
Premium	\$0.10 per license validated + \$375 annual fee
DT Credential	\$35
Original Licensure to Other Nursing Boards	\$50
Individual/Written List	\$50
(1st individual - \$20 each additional)	

Miscellaneous:

Duplicate of License Card/Credential Letter	\$35
Fingerprint Card	\$19.25 **
Name Change	\$35
Nursing Certificate	\$30
Duplicated Material.....	10 cents/page
Copy of an Examination Result or Transcript	\$25
Paper Copy of Renewal Application	\$40
Returned Check Fee	\$35

* \$5 of fee to NISF; \$5 of fee to KARE

** Fees are for services provided by another party; none retained by KBN

BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAMS

CONTINUING EDUCATION/COMPETENCY

As a mechanism to promote continuing competency, the Kentucky Nursing Laws (KRS 314.073) mandate that licensees shall be required to document continuing competency during the immediate past licensure period as prescribed in regulations promulgated by the Board. KBN is the Commonwealth agency legally authorized to approve providers of mandatory CE. During FY 07-08, according to KBN Administrative Regulation 201 KAR 20:215, validation of CE/competency must have included one of the following:

1. Proof of having earned 14 approved contact hours; **OR**
2. A national certification or recertification related to the nurse's practice role (in effect during the whole period or initially earned during the period); **OR**
3. Completion of a nursing research project as principal investigator, coinvestigator, or project director. Must have been qualitative or quantitative in nature, utilized research methodology, and included a summary of the findings; **OR**
4. Publication of a nursing related article; **OR**
5. A professional nursing education presentation that was developed by the presenter, presented to nurses or other health professionals, and evidenced by a program brochure, course syllabi, or a letter from the offering provider identifying the licensee's participation as the presenter of the offering; **OR**
6. Participation as a preceptor for at least one nursing student or new employee undergoing orientation (must have been for at least 120 hours, have had a one-to-one relationship with student or employee, may have precepted more than one student during the 120 hours, and preceptorship shall have been evidenced by written documentation from the educational institution or preceptor's supervisor); **OR**
7. Proof of having earned 7 approved contact hours, **PLUS** a nursing employment evaluation that was satisfactory for continued employment (must have been signed by supervisor with the name, address, and phone number of the employer included), and covered at least 6 months of the earning period.
8. College courses, designated by a nursing course number, and courses in physical and social sciences counted toward CE hours. One semester credit hour equaled 15 contact hours; one quarter credit hour equaled 12 contact hours.

Domestic Violence CE Requirement: There was a requirement to earn 3 contact hours of approved domestic violence CE within 3 years of initial licensure (one-time only). This requirement was included as part of the curriculum for nurses graduating from a Kentucky nursing program on or after 5/1998. This requirement applied to licensure by examination, reinstatement, and endorsement from another state.

Pharmacology and Sexual Assault CE Requirements: ARNPs were required to earn 5 contact hours of approved CE in pharmacology. Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) credentialed nurses must have earned 5 contact hours of approved sexual assault CE (forensic medicine or domestic violence CE met this requirement). These hours counted as part of the CE requirement for the period in which they were earned.

HIV/AIDS CE Requirement: The 2 hours of mandatory HIV/AIDS CE could be earned within the appropriate earning period. The LPN earning period began 11/1/2001 and goes through 10/31/2011, while the RN period began 11/1/2002 and goes through 10/31/2012. Nurses must maintain proof of earning the required CE for up to 12 years.

Requirement for New Licensees: All licensees were exempt from the CE/competency requirement for the first renewal period of the Kentucky license issued by examination or endorsement. If an individual did not renew the original license, the exemption for the CE/competency was lost and all CE requirements must have been met before the license could be reinstated.

Academic (College Credit Courses) Used to Meet CE Requirements: Certain college credit courses could have been used to meet CE requirements. Nursing courses, designated by a nursing course number, and courses in physical and social sciences, such as Psychology, Biology, and Sociology, counted toward CE hours. Prelicensure general education courses, either electives or designated to meet degree requirements, were not acceptable, as well as CPR/BLS, in-service education, or nurse aide training). ACLS or PALS courses were acceptable if they were given by an approved provider. If a college course did not fall within these designated categories, and a nurse felt the course was applicable to his/her nursing practice, the nurse could apply for Individual Review using an application supplied by KBN. There was a fee for this service and the application must have been submitted to KBN by 11/30 of the licensure year.

Post-Renewal Audit Process: The audit process was used to verify CE/competency earning. The random audit required that those persons selected show documented evidence (certificate of attendance, transcript, grade report, employment evaluation, competency validation, national nursing certification, etc.) of approved CE/competency earning during the applicable licensure period. Of those licensees randomly selected for the ARNP audit process, 95% demonstrated compliance with the CE requirements. Of those randomly selected for the RN, LPN, and SANE audit process, 96% demonstrated compliance. Those not complying were referred for disciplinary action.

CE PROVIDERS BY CATEGORY

Professional Nursing Organizations.....	9
Related Nursing Organizations.....	3
Educational Institutions	27
Health Service Agencies	126
Health Related Organizations.....	26
Commercial Organizations.....	9
Other.....	23
Refresher Courses	6
Total.....	229

Individual Review of CE Offerings..... 53

INVESTIGATION & DISCIPLINARY ACTION

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS FY 07-08

TYPE OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION

RN PN

COMPLAINT ACTIVITY

Licenses Revoked.....	2.....0
Licenses Immediately Temporarily Suspended	25.....31
Licenses Suspended/Continued on Suspension	17.....15
Licenses Suspended Immediately for Failure to Comply with Order	28.....18
Licenses Suspended/Stayed Followed by Limitation/Probation or Probation.....	2.....0
Licenses Issued/Reinstated on Limited/Probated or Probated	22.....14
Licensed Permanently Surrendered	1.....0
Licenses Voluntarily Surrendered	25.....5
Admitted to NCLEX or Endorsement Probated/Limited	0.....1
Admission to NCLEX or Endorsement Granted/Reprimand	0.....0
Licenses Granted Reinstatement/No Hearing Required.....	1.....0
Licenses Denied Reinstatement	9.....8
Licenses Reprimanded	28.....11

Complaints/Convictions/Information Filed Away - No Formal Action
Deemed Necessary

Reviewed By:

Credentials Review Panel.....149

Staff Member Review.....727

Board Member Review204

TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED: 1,377

ACTIVE CASES AS OF JUNE 30, 2008: 209

* Privilege to Practice Immediately Temporarily Suspended	3
Licenses Denied	1
Cease and Desist Notices Issued.....	6
Temporary Work Permits Voided.....	3

ARNP Registration Voluntarily Surrendered	1
* ARNP Registration Placed on Limitation/Probation.....	1

Decisions Appealed	0
Licenses Cleared/Removed from Probation	47
Consent Decrees/Employment	45
Consent Decrees/Continuing Education	261
Consent Decrees/Positive Urine Drug Screen.....	80

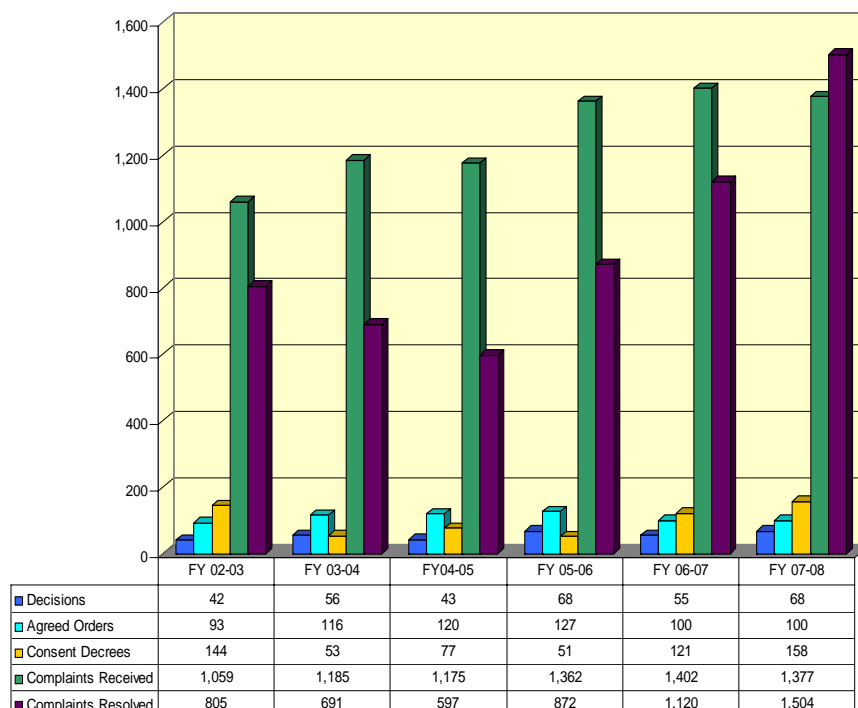
Consent Decrees/Dialysis Technicians (DT)	5
DT Credential Immediately Temporarily Suspended	1
DT Credential Suspended/Continued on Suspension	2
DT Credential Denied Reinstatement	3

* = New Entry

The Kentucky Nursing Laws provide that KBN may "deny, limit, revoke, probate or suspend any license to practice nursing issued by the Board or applied for . . . or to otherwise discipline a licensee or to deny admission to the licensure examination, or to require evidence of evaluation and therapy"

KBN continues its efforts to make the public aware of the investigatory and disciplinary procedures and to emphasize the legal requirement to, and importance of, reporting nurses who are suspected of engaging in unsafe or illegal practices.

SUMMARY OF DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS FY 02-03 TO 07-08



NURSING PRACTICE

KBN interprets the legal scope of nursing practice according to the Kentucky Nursing Laws and KBN administrative regulations in the determination of safe and effective nursing care for the citizens of the Commonwealth. In response to inquiries requesting interpretation of the legal scope of nursing practice, KBN has published formal advisory opinion statements as guidelines for safe practice (see the list below), as well as issuing other opinions on nursing practice matters.

During FY 07-08, the Board issued nursing practice advisory opinions addressing:

- Role of ARNP in the performance of infant circumcisions
- Administration of insulin by nurses in school setting via parent communication
- Delegation of disconnection and reconnection of oxygen to unlicensed assistive personnel
- Scope of registered nursing practice – instillation of methotrexate into an Ommaya Reservoir
- Regional nerve block
- Scope of licensed practical nursing practice in the performance of urgent PC neuromodulation
- Performance and collection of endocervical swab specimens for the assessment of sexually transmitted diseases
- Performance of ear stapling for the treatment of obesity
- Performance of the Department of Transportation (DOT) commercial motor vehicle driver physical examination and completion of the medical examiner's certificate

KBN Advisory Opinion Statements

Effective/Revision Date

#03	Roles of Nurses in Intravenous Therapy Practice	4/08
#04	Roles of Nurses in the Administration of Medication per Intraspinal Routes	4/07
#05	Performance of Advanced Life Support Procedures by Nurses	2/05
#08	Role of the RN First Assistant	4/07
#09	Performance of Wound Debridement by Nurses	4/07
#10	Roles of Nurses in the Care of Intrapartum Patients	4/07
#11	Roles of Nurses in the Insertion and Removal of a Nasogastric Tube and in the Reinsertion of a Gastrostomy Tube	4/08
#13	Roles of Nurses in Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing Practice	4/07
#14	Roles of Nurses in the Implementation of Patient Care Orders	2/05
#15	Roles of Nurses in the Supervision and Delegation of Nursing Acts to Unlicensed Personnel	2/05
#16	Roles of Nurses in the Administration of Medication via Various Routes	4/07
#17	Roles of Nurses in the Administration of "PRN" Medication and Placebos	2/05
#18	Employment of Nursing Students as Nursing Personnel Using Either an Academic or a "Nurse Extern" Service Model	4/08
#19	Responsibility and Accountability of Nurses for Patient Care Assignments and Nursing Care Delivery	2/05
#20	Roles of RNs in Invasive Cardiac Procedures	2/05
#21	Roles of Nurses and Technicians in Dialysis	2/05
#22	Roles of Nurses who Provide "Private Duty" Nursing	2/05
#23	Application and Removal of a Cast by Nurses and Closed Reduction of a Fracture by ARNPs	4/07
#24	Patient Abandonment by Nurses	2/05
#25	Peripheral Insertion of Central and Midline Intravenous Catheters by Nurses	2/05
#26	Roles of Nurses in the Delivery of Prehospital Emergency Medical Care via Ambulance Services	2/05
#27	Components of LPN Practice	2/05
#28	Roles of Nurses and Unlicensed Nursing Personnel in Endoscopic Procedures	2/05
#29	Cardiopulmonary/Respiratory Nursing Practice	4/07
#30	School Nursing Practice	4/07
#31	Removal of Femoral Access Devices (Sheaths) and Use of Mechanical Compression Devices by Nurses	4/07
#32	Intravenous Administration of Medications for Sedation by Nurses	4/07
#33	Roles of Nurses in the Delegation of Tasks to Paramedics in a Hospital Emergency Department	2/05
#34	Roles of Nurses in Maintaining Confidentiality of Patient Information	8/05
#35	Cosmetic and Dermatological Procedures by Nurses	2/08
#36	Role of Nurses in Resuscitation	2/08

NURSING INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Nursing Incentive Scholarship Fund (NISF) provides scholarships to Kentucky residents for attending approved prelicensure nursing programs (registered nurse or practical nurse) or graduate nursing programs. Scholarship recipients must work as nurses in Kentucky for one year for each academic year funded. To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must have been admitted to a nursing program. Applications for scholarships are accepted from January 1 to June 1. The amount of each scholarship is \$3,000 per year, or \$1,500 per semester. If a recipient does not complete the nursing program within the time frame specified by the program, or if the recipient does not complete the required employment, then the recipient is required to repay any NISF monies awarded, plus accrued interest.

The Nursing Incentive Scholarship Grant Review Committee was created to accept grant proposals for workforce competency development, which is defined as organized, structured or formal activity designed to improve the ability of nurses to meet the health care needs of the citizens of Kentucky. The nursing workforce is defined as actual and/or potential licensed nursing population. The Board directed that no consideration be given to any workforce development grant proposals until there is resolution of the current Kentucky budget issues.

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING NURSING INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHIP FUND SUMMARY: FY 03-04 TO 07-08					
APPLICATION DATA	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	FY06-07	FY 07-08
Apps Processed	520	795	715	728	627
Apps Complete/Not Funded	426	487	482	611	488
Apps Incomplete/Not Funded	59	44	45	48	44
Apps Approved/Funded:	94	242	188	116	95
Initial	32	221	124	88	65
Continuation	62	21	64	28	30
Recipients Completed	310	78	78	78	79

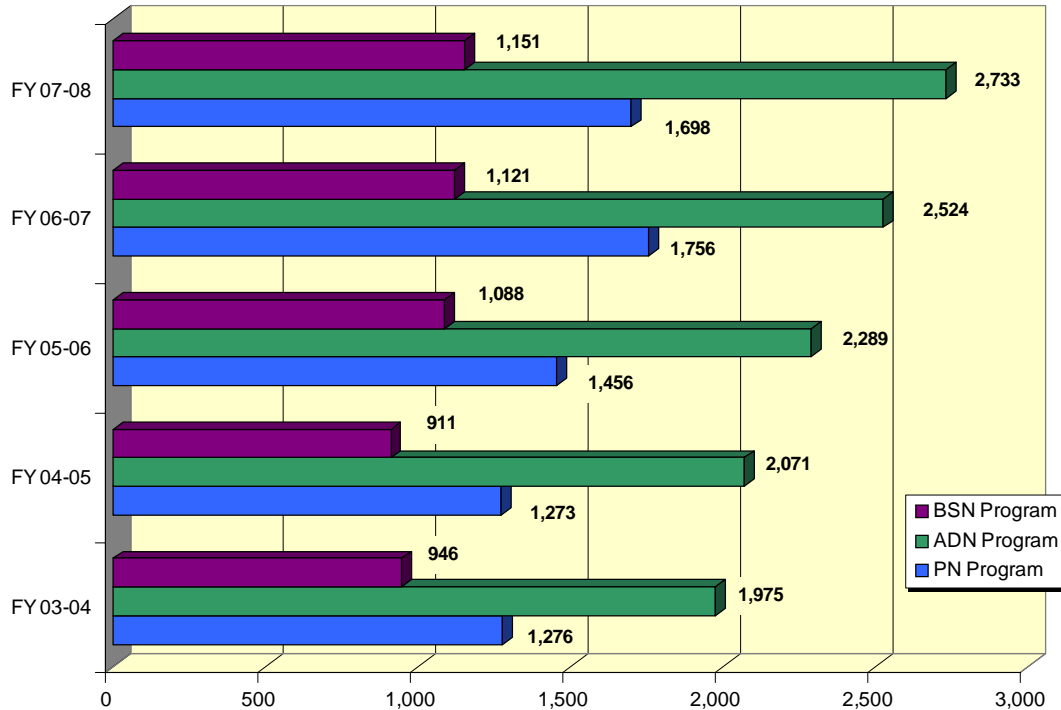
NISF AWARD DATA	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	FY06-07	FY 07-08
NISF Awards Granted:	\$259,500	\$690,000	\$546,000	\$307,500	\$273,500
Initial	\$175,500	\$634,500	\$366,000	\$238,500	\$192,500
Continuation	\$84,000	\$55,500	\$180,000	\$69,000	\$81,000

Note: The amount of awards varies each fiscal year due to cancellations, deferments, and defaults.

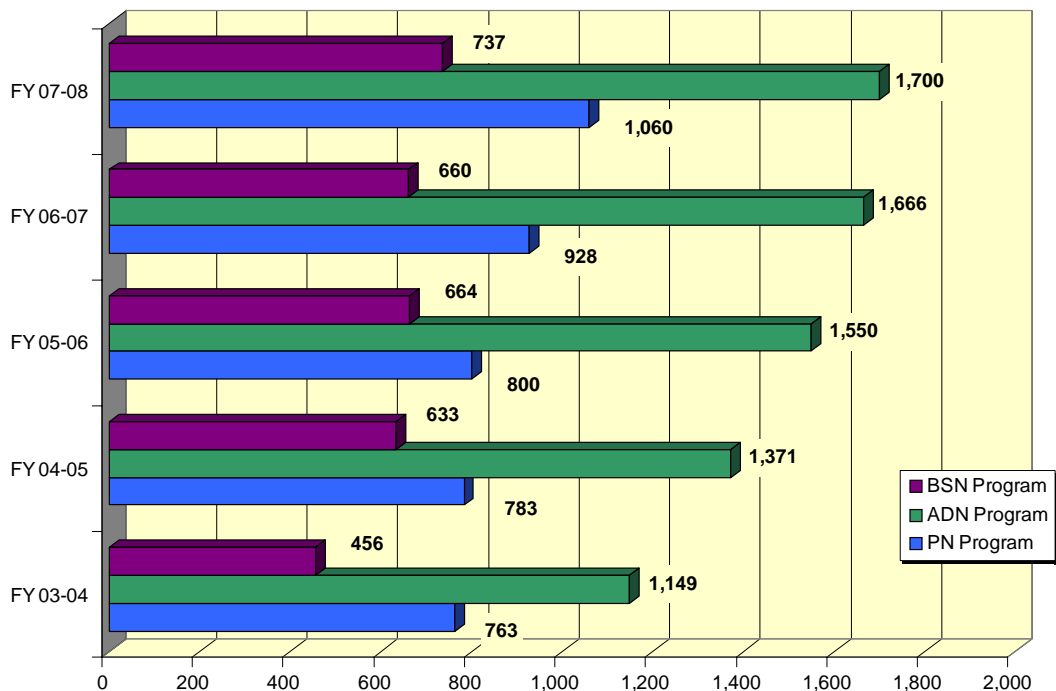
NURSING EDUCATION

The Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN) is the legally authorized body in the Commonwealth to approve programs of nursing preparing persons for eligibility for licensure as nurses. Through the provisions of the Kentucky Nursing Laws and applicable Kentucky administrative regulations, the Board prescribes standards for educational institutions offering programs preparing candidates for licensure as nurses. As of June 30, 2008, there were a total of 13 baccalaureate nursing (BSN) programs, 38 associate degree (ADN) programs, and 35 practical nursing (PN) programs approved by KBN. For FY2007-2008, Kentucky pass rate averages were 91% for BSN programs, 88% for ADN programs, and 93% for PN programs. Nationally, pass rate averages were 88% for BSN programs, 86% for ADN programs, and 86% for PN programs.

PROGRAM OF NURSING ADMISSIONS: FY 03-04 TO 07-08

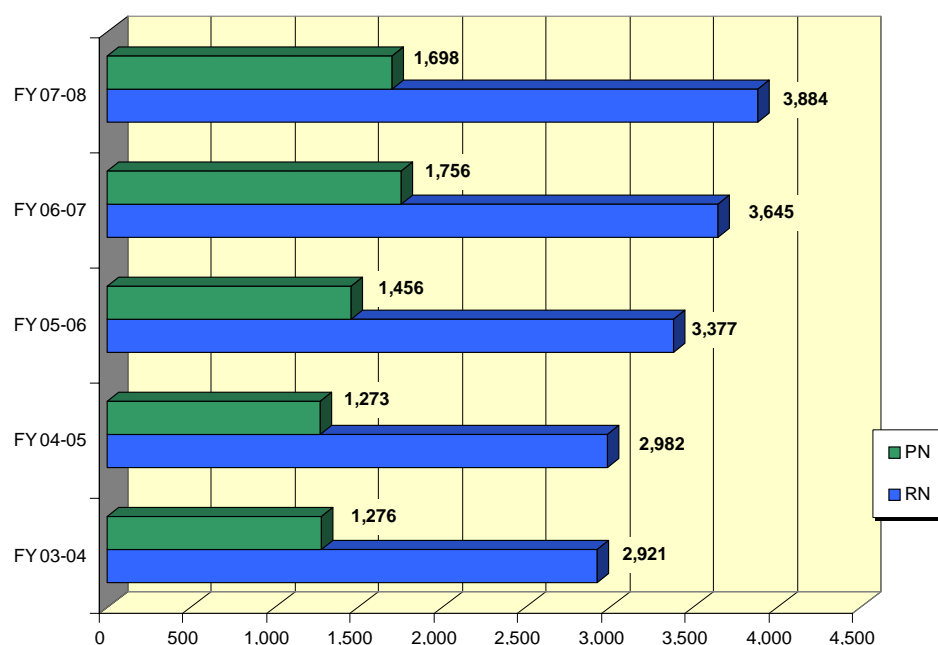


PROGRAM OF NURSING GRADUATES: FY 03-04 TO 07-08

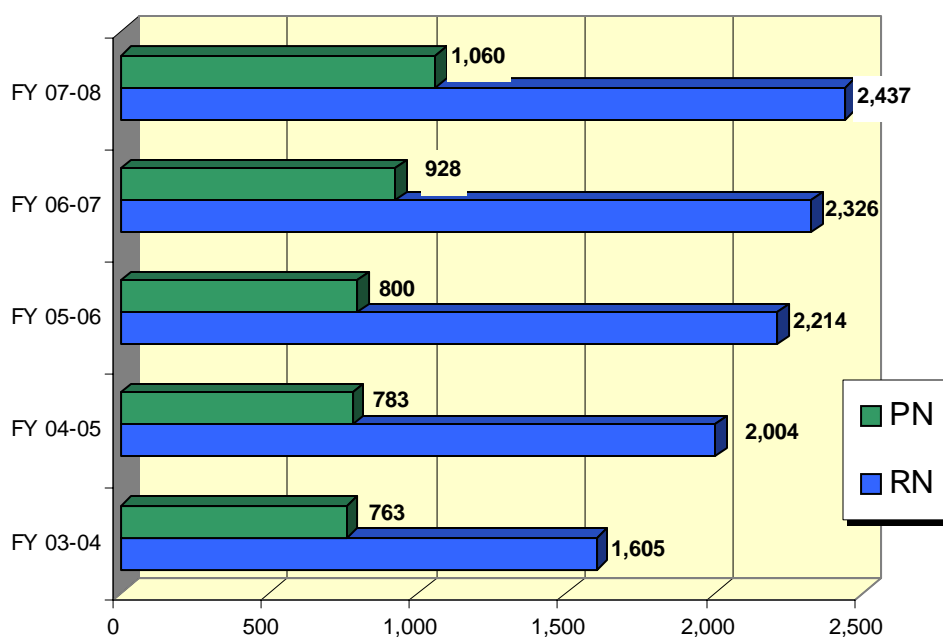


NURSING EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

REGISTERED NURSE & PRACTICAL NURSE ADMISSIONS: FY 03-04 TO 07-08



REGISTERED NURSE & PRACTICAL NURSE GRADUATES: FY 03-04 TO 07-08



NURSING EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING: NCLEX PASS RATE REPORT: 2003 TO 2008 BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS OF NURSING

<i>BSN PROGRAMS</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>
Bellarmino University	100%	100%	97%	97%	92%	93%
Berea College	71%	93%	91%	91%	58%	63%
Eastern Kentucky University	95%	100%	92%	92%	99%	98%
Kentucky Christian University	N/A	N/A	75%	91%	67%	80%
Morehead State University	87%	64%	95%	64%	86%	96%
Murray State University	81%	100%	88%	87%	89%	91%
Northern Kentucky University	N/A	75%	90%	82%	83%	78%
Spalding University	74%	97%	91%	95%	76%	86%
Thomas More College	86%	88%	50%	92%	74%	75%
University of Kentucky	95%	94%	98%	99%	97%	95%
University of Louisville	88%	92%	89%	86%	89%	96%
Western Kentucky University	78%	93%	90%	86%	89%	92%

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING: NCLEX PASS RATE REPORT: 2003 TO 2008 ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS OF NURSING

<i>ADN PROGRAMS</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>
Ashland Community & Tech College	88%	92%	94%	80%	80%	98%
Beckfield College	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	69%	83%
Big Sandy Community & Tech College	87%	94%	90%	100%	70%	95%
Big Sandy Community & Tech College—Career Pathways	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	90%
Bluegrass Community & Tech College—Cooper Drive	95%	91%	97%	94%	91%	88%
Bluegrass Community & Tech College—Danville	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	91%
Campbellsville University	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	73%
Eastern Kentucky University	94%	91%	93%	93%	95%	99%
Elizabethtown Community & Tech College	98%	95%	94%	90%	98%	100%
Galen College of Nursing	N/A	N/A	N/A	89%	76%	81%
Gateway Community & Tech College	N/A	N/A	N/A	68%	56%	61%
Hazard Community & Tech College—Hazard	100%	81%	93%	75%	71%	97%
Hazard Community & Tech College—Lees	10%	84%	79%	71%	60%	76%
Henderson Community College	97%	100%	88%	93%	88%	84%
Hopkinsville Community College	93%	98%	93%	94%	90%	95%
Jefferson Community & Tech College	100%	96%	97%	89%	82%	89%
Kentucky State University	88%	100%	94%	69%	78%	91%
Lincoln Memorial University—Corbin	73%	94%	83%	100%	73%	96%
Madisonville Community College	100%	91%	91%	96%	89%	91%
Maysville Community & Tech College	91%	93%	92%	90%	91%	75%
Midway College—Danville	90%	85%	94%	100%	83%	100%
Midway College—Midway	82%	74%	86%	92%	82%	98%
Morehead State University	86%	85%	92%	96%	79%	92%
Northern Kentucky University	88%	89%	93%	94%	91%	91%
Owensboro Community & Tech College	100%	100%	75%	91%	92%	89%
Pikeville College	100%	91%	100%	96%	69%	100%
Somerset Community College	100%	100%	100%	96%	96%	94%
SE KY Community & Tech College—Cumberland	N/A	N/A	N/A	79%	84%	86%
SE KY Community & Tech College—Middlesboro	N/A	N/A	N/A	85%	74%	N/A
SE KY Community & Tech College—Pineville	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	79%
Spencerian College	80%	77%	76%	82%	79%	72%
St. Catherine College	100%	100%	100%	93%	71%	100%
West KY Community & Tech College	93%	93%	93%	83%	85%	91%
Western KY University—Bowling Green	93%	89%	73%	87%	90%	86%
Western KY University—Glasgow	78%	75%	85%	67%	100%	89%

NURSING EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING: NCLEX PASS RATE REPORT: 2003 TO 2008 PROGRAMS OF PRACTICAL NURSING

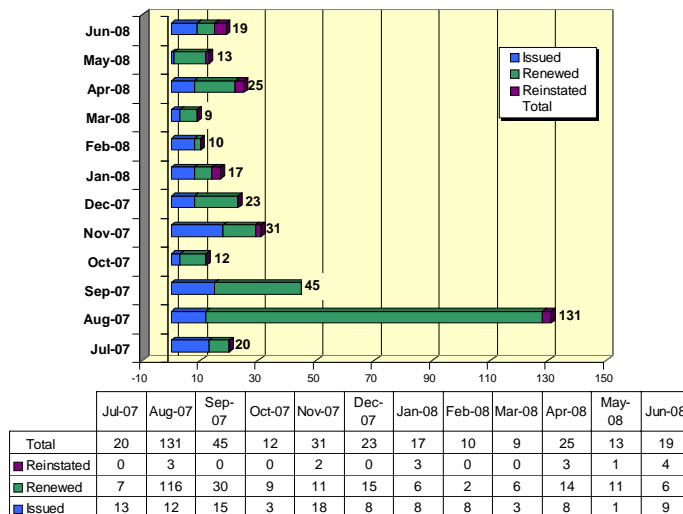
<i>PN PROGRAMS</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2004</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>
Ashland Community & Tech College	87%	93%	94%	79%	87%	87%
Big Sandy Community & Tech College—Paintsville	N/A	83%	94%	N/A	96%	94%
Big Sandy Community & Tech College—Pikeville	90%	80%	93%	70%	N/A	N/A
Big Sandy Community & Tech College—Prestonsburg	N/A	N/A	N/A	87%	N/A	91%
Bluegrass Community & Tech College—Danville	90%	85%	91%	84%	100%	90%
Bluegrass Community & Tech College—Leestown	97%	95%	94%	93%	93%	94%
Bowling Green Technical College	95%	84%	90%	100%	N/A	96%
Brown Mackie College—Northern KY	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	95%
Elizabethtown Community & Tech College	100%	100%	100%	89%	N/A	76%
Galen College of Nursing	92%	98%	96%	94%	97%	93%
Gateway Community & Tech College	81%	81%	88%	90%	N/A	93%
Hazard Community & Tech College—Hazard	87%	86%	94%	71%	89%	94%
Hazard Community & Tech College—Whitesburg	92%	93%	N/A	92%	100%	N/A
Henderson Community College	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	100%
Hopkinsville Community College	100%	100%	95%	100%	N/A	100%
Jefferson Community & Tech College—Carrollton	80%	N/A	N/A	100%	75%	N/A
Jefferson Community & Tech College—Louisville	92%	100%	100%	93%	100%	92%
Jefferson Community & Tech College—Shelbyville	100%	100%	100%	90%	94%	100%
Madisonville Community College	97%	84%	95%	91%	96%	96%
Maysville Community & Tech College	94%	83%	100%	N/A	97%	100%
Maysville Community & Tech College—Licking Valley	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	93%	91%
Maysville Community & Tech College—Rowan	N/A	93%	100%	N/A	100%	93%
Owensboro Community & Tech College	N/A	100%	100%	N/A	100%	97%
Somerset Community College	98%	100%	95%	N/A	100%	96%
Somerset Community College—Clinton Center	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%
Somerset Community College—Laurel	89%	N/A	92%	73%	N/A	92%
SE KY Community & Tech College—Cumberland	N/A	N/A	N/A	80%	91%	91%
SE KY Community & Tech College—Middlesboro	N/A	N/A	N/A	90%	88%	100%
SE KY Community & Tech College—Pineville	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%	88%
Spencerian College	72%	82%	96%	100%	98%	93%
West KY Community & Tech College—Murray	100%	100%	95%	94%	100%	83%
West KY Community & Tech College—Paducah	100%	100%	100%	100%	92%	84%

NURSING EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

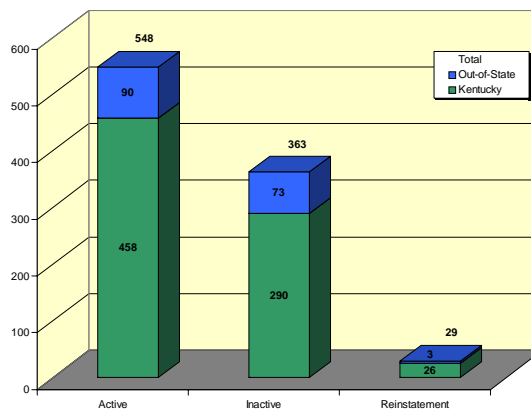
APPROVED DIALYSIS TECHNICIAN TRAINING PROGRAMS AS OF JUNE 30, 2008

PROGRAM NAME	CITY & STATE	07-08 GRADUATES
DCI of Cincinnati - DT Training Program	Cincinnati, OH & Maysville, KY	1
FMCNA of Greenup	Greenup, KY	8
FMCNA of Louisville	Jeffersonville, IN	44
FMCNA of Prestonsburg	Prestonsburg, KY	4
FMCNA Lexington East	Lexington, KY	14
DCI DT Training Program of Kentucky	Lexington, KY	0
Bowling Green Kidney Center DT Training Program	Bowling Green, KY	3
DaVita LaGrange Kentucky DT Training Program a/k/a Taylor County Dialysis	Campbellsville, KY	9
University of Louisville Kidney Disease Program DT Training Program	Louisville, KY	2
FMCNA Murray DT Training Program	Murray, KY	5
Collins Career Center DT Training Program	Coal Grove, OH	17
DSI Louisville DT Training Program	Louisville, KY	0
National Renal Alliance KY DT Training Program	Franklin, TN	4
DaVita KY Buccaneer DT Training Program	Strongsville, OH	5
TOTAL NUMBER OF GRADUATES		116

FY 07-08 TOTAL DT CREDENTIALS ISSUED

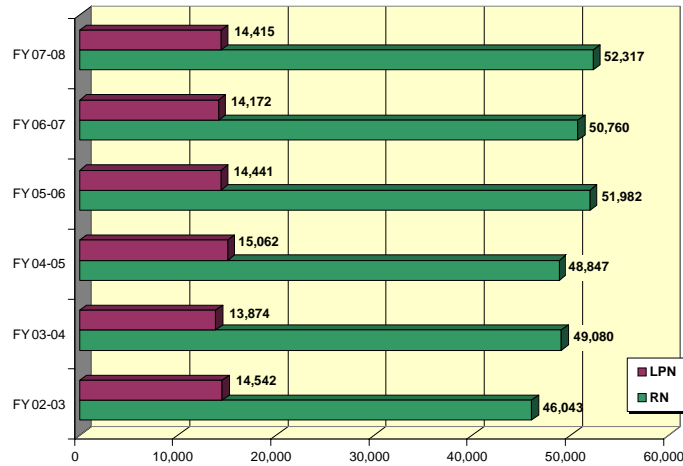


FY 07-08 DT CREDENTIALS SUMMARY

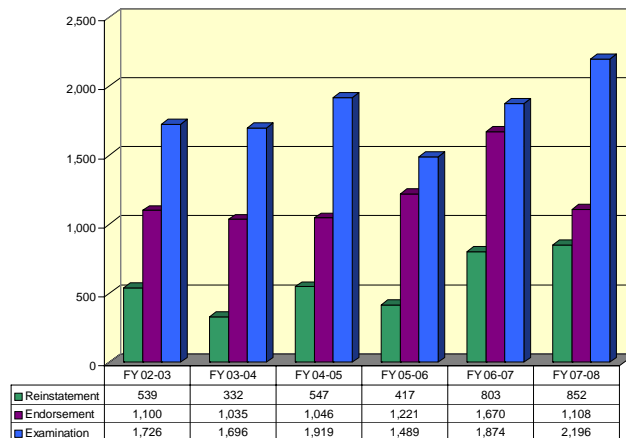


LICENSURE & REGISTRATION STATISTICS

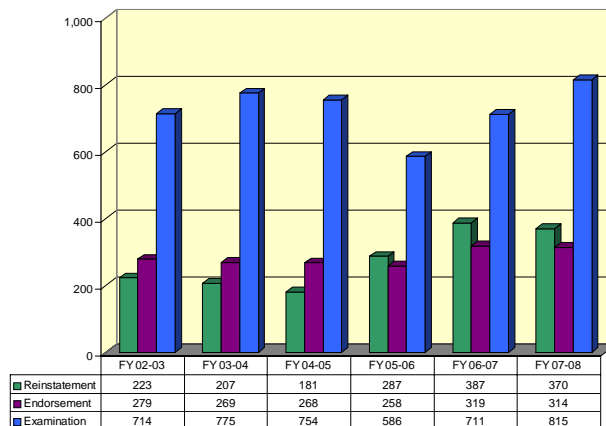
REGISTERED NURSE & PRACTICAL NURSE LICENSEES FY 02-03 TO 07-08 COMPARATIVE SUMMARY



REGISTERED NURSE LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT, REINSTATEMENT, AND EXAMINATION

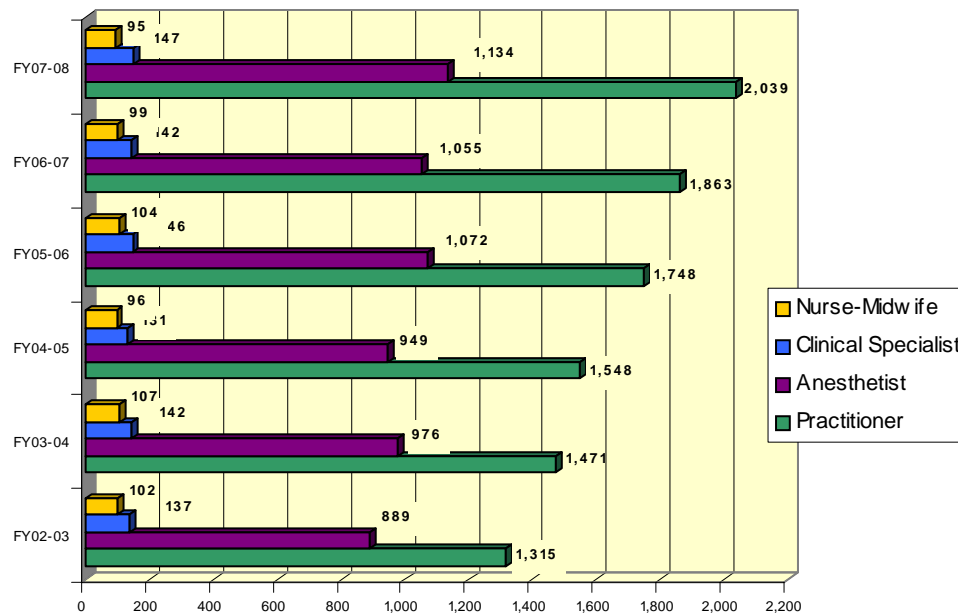


PRACTICAL NURSE LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT, REINSTATEMENT & EXAMINATION



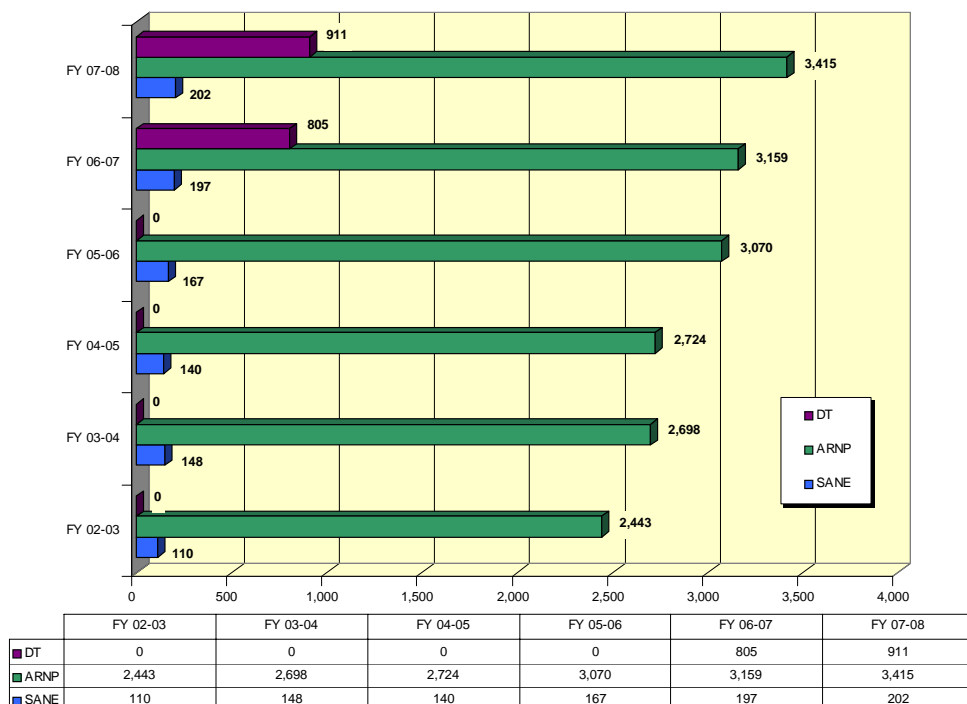
LICENSURE & REGISTRATION STATISTICS (CONTINUED)

ADVANCED REGISTERED NURSE PRACTITIONERS: FY 02-03 TO 07-08 COMPARATIVE SUMMARY BY DESIGNATION



	FY 02-03	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	FY 06-07	FY 07-08
Nurse-Midwife	102	107	96	104	99	95
Clinical Specialist	137	142	131	146	142	147
Anesthetist	889	976	949	1,072	1,055	1,134
Practitioner	1,315	1,471	1,548	1,748	1,863	2,039

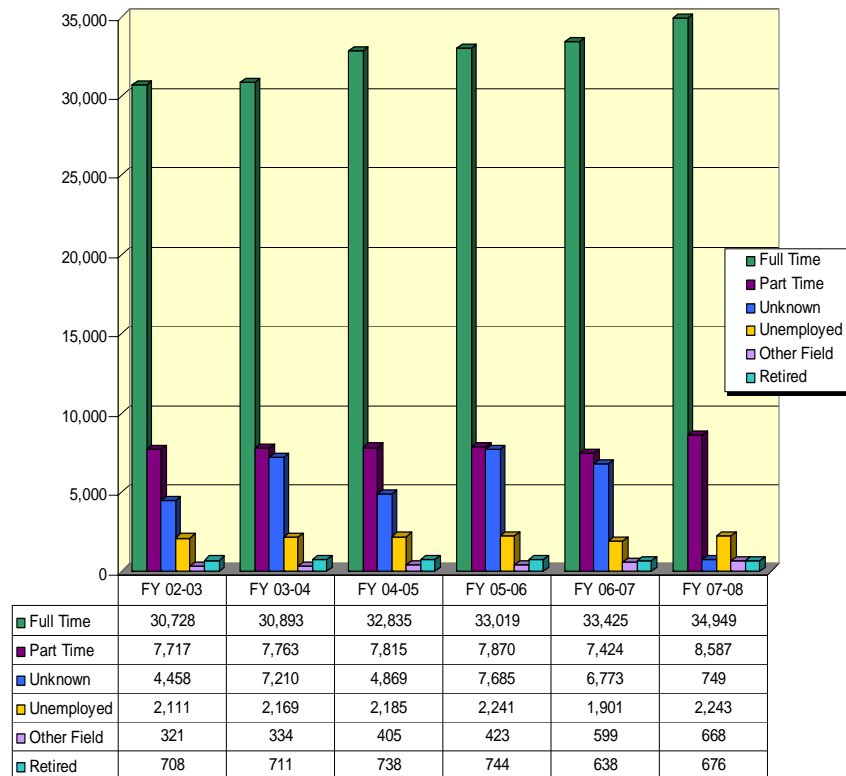
ADVANCED REGISTERED NURSE PRACTITIONER (ARNP) REGISTRATIONS DIALYSIS TECHNICIAN (DT) CREDENTIALS SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER (SANE) CREDENTIALS FY 02-03 TO 07-08 COMPARATIVE SUMMARY



	FY 02-03	FY 03-04	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	FY 06-07	FY 07-08
DT	0	0	0	0	805	911
ARNP	2,443	2,698	2,724	3,070	3,159	3,415
SANE	110	148	140	167	197	202

LICENSURE & REGISTRATION STATISTICS (CONTINUED)

SUMMARY OF REGISTERED NURSES BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS: FY 02-03 TO 07-08



SUMMARY OF PRACTICAL NURSES BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS: FY 02-03 TO 07-08

